

Eastgate/I-90

Land Use & Transportation Project

Citizen Advisory Committee Meeting

June 16, 2011

CAC direction to proceed with evaluation of draft alternatives developed by staff and the CAC in May.



May 19 Meeting – Arrived at early draft alternatives to be presented to the public for feedback.



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June 16 Meeting – (i) Review public input on draft alternatives. (ii) Agree on draft alternatives for evaluative work from now till Sept 8 CAC Meeting.

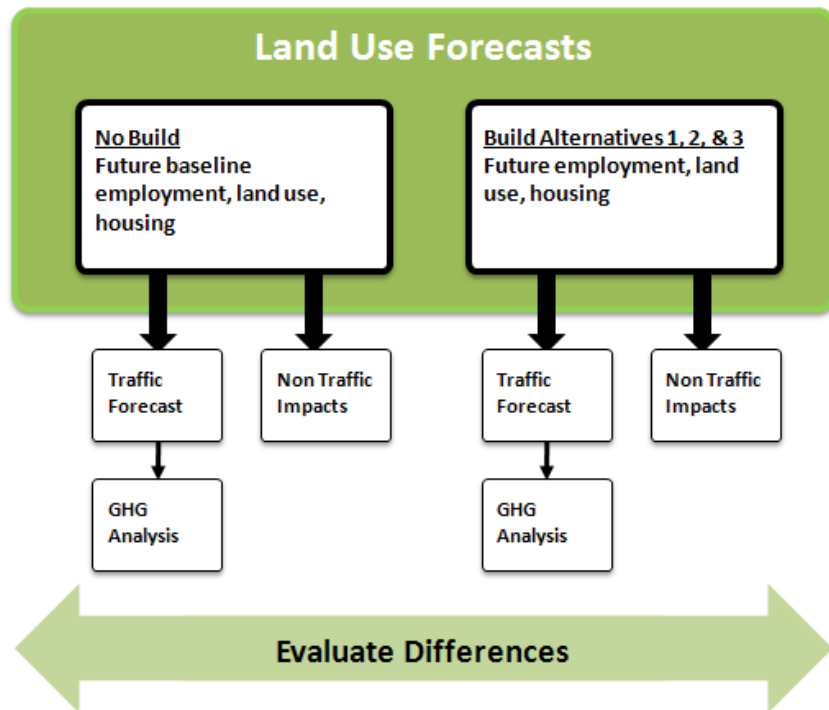


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In this next phase, staff will assess the draft alternatives against the CAC evaluation criteria, Council principles, and environmental considerations.

Analysis of Alternatives (July – August)



Preferred Alternative (September – October)



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Next Steps


Sept 8 Meeting – Assessment of the draft alternatives against the CAC evaluation criteria, Council principles, and environmental considerations.



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Presentation provides CAC with an early indication of the themes we are hearing from the public. CAC is not expected to modify draft alternatives.



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Wednesday, June 1, 2011

Choose the time and location that is convenient to you:

Robinswood House Cabana
2430 148th Avenue SE
1:00 – 3:00 PM
1:30 - Presentation


Eastgate Elementary School Cafeteria
4255 153rd Avenue SE
5:00 – 7:00 PM
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 Wheelchair accessible. American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation available upon request. Please call at least 48 hours in advance.

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Scoping of Environmental Issues
This project is informed in part by environmental analyses, using a process referred to as "SEPA/GMA Integration" by the State Environmental Policy Act. To make sure environmental considerations are an integral part of the development and evaluation of alternatives, the project has been identifying, or "scoping" environmental issues throughout the planning process. The June 1, 2011 open houses will provide additional opportunity to identify environmental issues. A formal SEPA determination will occur at a later stage in the planning process.

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- Outreach was about sharing where we are and describing upcoming analysis of alternatives.
- Recognition that we're contemplating a range of alternatives at this time (none of which is the preferred alternative).
- Seeking input on what people like, dislike, or feel is missing.



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Outreach on Alternatives



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OPEN HOUSE Wednesday, June 1, 2011

As part of the Eastgate/I-90 Land Use and Transportation Project, the City of Bellevue developed three land use and transportation alternatives, in addition to a "No Action" alternative.

The City is seeking public input on a range of alternatives to consider for further analysis. No single preferred alternative is being chosen at this time. At a later stage a preferred option will be created, which may include elements from each of these alternatives.

Please provide us with your opinions on each of these alternatives:

"No Action" Alternative:
What do you like? Simplicity
What don't you like? noise
Are we missing anything? keep the area cleaner!!!

1: "Jobs/Housing Mix"
What do you like? new walk way
What don't you like? Too Big!!! More noise
Are we missing anything?

2: "Regional Employment Center"
What do you like? new walk way
What don't you like? Still too big
Are we missing anything?

3: "Functional Improvements"
What do you like? Best arrangement to keep integrity
What don't you like? Still too much - noise
Are we missing anything?

Do you have any other feedback you would like to provide?

- Greening up all areas + Eastgate Interchange
- Clean tunnel
- Build roundabout at 156 + Eastgate Way

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June 1 Open Houses

Alternative 1 - "Jobs/Housing Mix"

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ALTERNATIVE 1
Jobs/Housing Mix

4. What do you like?

5. What don't you like?

6. Are we missing anything?

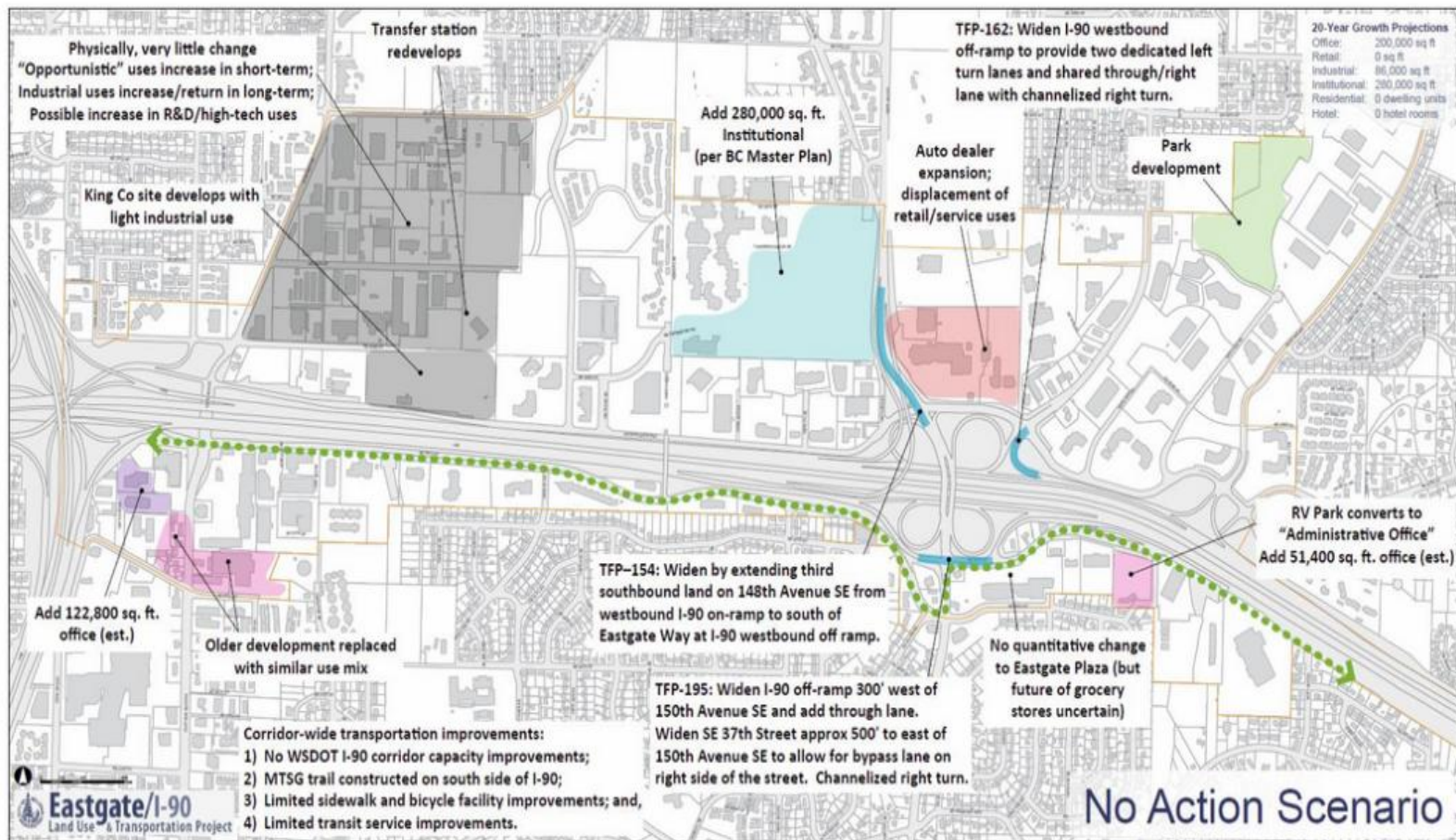
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On-Line Questionnaire

- June 2 to June 14
- 45 respondents
- 20 pages of verbatim comments

Take Away From Outreach

- In a number of instances, public comments shared on a particular alternative are likely relevant across multiple alternatives.
- No alternative received overwhelmingly negative feedback.
- Comments will be very helpful as we craft a preferred alternative.

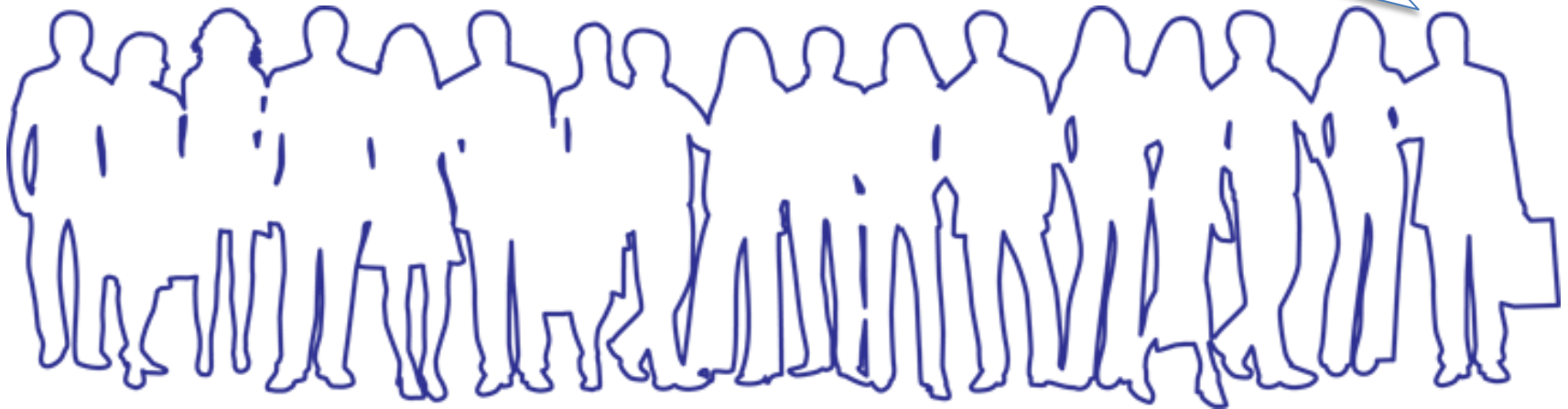


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No Action

“I like MTSG trail improvements and sidewalk & bicycle improvements. I like TFP-162, this should help ease traffic to BC and Microsoft. I also like the park development.”



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No Action – Like?

“Expansion of Auto Dealership. This area has a wonderful Southern exposure, which accounts in part for the popularity of the Tulley's currently located there. This location is a neighborhood gem! The mid-priced restaurants are packed at lunch with workers from nearby buildings. This is a great area for a revitalized restaurant/coffee shop/small office, and maybe upper level apartments.”



What Do You Like?
(N=29)

Status Quo
Road Improvements
MTSG Trail
Economic Development
Park Improvements
Do Not Like
Office Space
I-90 Improvements
Less Traffic
Limited Improvements

What Don't You Like?
(N=33)

Limited Ped/Bike Improvements
Expansion Of Auto Dealers
Loss Of Neighborhood Services
Limited Services
More Growth Needed
Traffic Congestion
Loss Of Neighborhood Services
Limited Road Improvements
No Planning
Too Much Office
Limited Neighborhood Services
Limited Transit Improvements
Limited Transportation Alternatives
High Pedestrian
Limited Economic Development

Are We Missing Anything?
(N=20)

Public Spaces
Expensive
More Growth Needed
Neighborhood Services
Maintain Status Quo
I-90 Improvements
Community Vision
Limited Transit Improvements
Limited Ped/Bike Improvements
More Road Improvements



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No Action - Themes

Medium density residential

- 2-5 stories
- 25-75 dwelling units/acre
- Pedestrian-oriented
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)
- Some residential open space



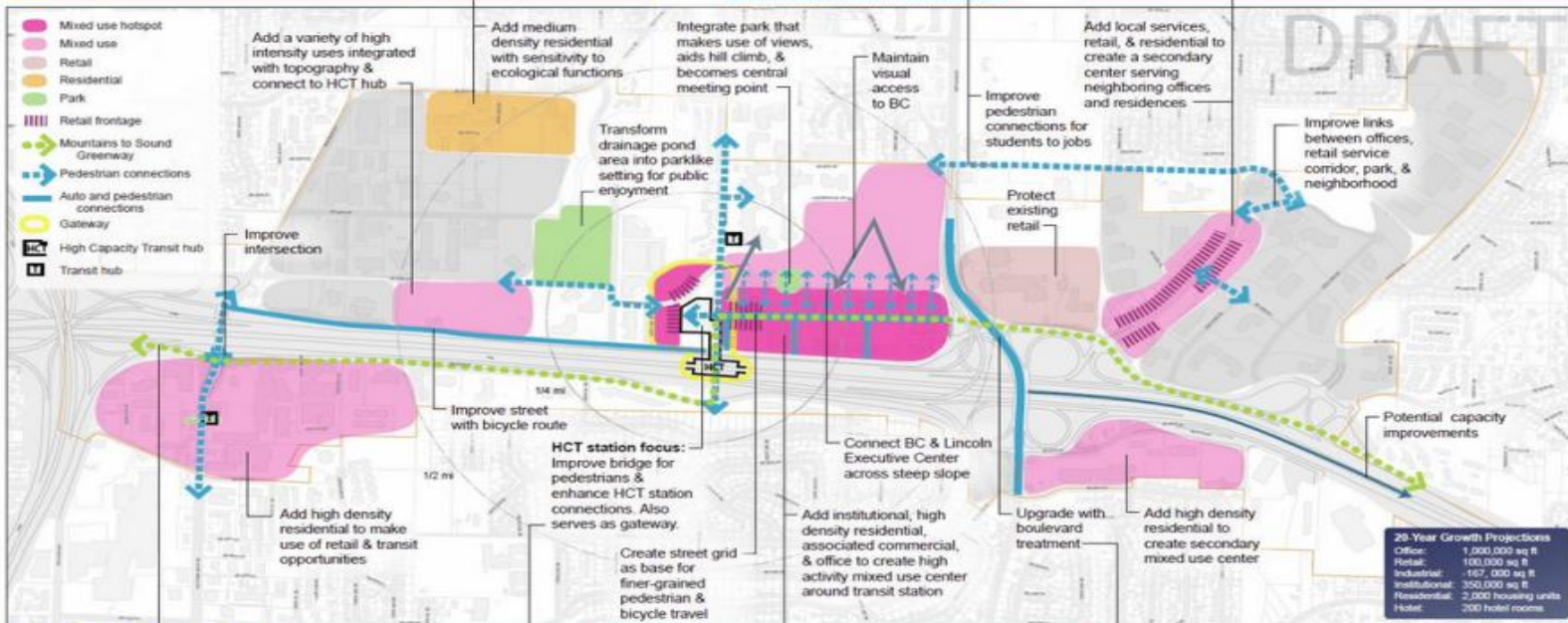
Trail improvement

- Human-scale lighting
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



Medium intensity mixed use

- Generally retail on ground floor, residential above
- 3-5 stories
- >25 dwelling units/acre
- Amenities included in development
- Pedestrian-oriented
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



MTSG improvement

- Safe pedestrian & bicycle routes
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



Transit-oriented development

- Pedestrian & bike connections to transit
- Retail frontage
- Amenities included in development
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



High intensity mixed use

- Generally retail on ground floor, residential above
- 6+ stories
- >50 dwelling units/acre
- Retail frontage on specified streets
- Amenities included in development
- Pedestrian-oriented
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



Street improvement

- Boulevard-like
- Safe pedestrian & bicycle routes
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



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ALTERNATIVE 1
Jobs/Housing Mix



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Alternative 1

“This is a great plan. I love the new pedestrian & bicycle access down Eastgate. I like the connections between neighborhoods. I like the mixed use, which creates wonderful neighborhoods that hold housing values well. I love the green features. I love the better connections to the transit center. I love the pedestrian access from Transit center to Richards Road. MTSG trail is fantastic. This plan has vision, practicality, and intelligent values.”



“Mixed use, high density is very undesirable. Leave that kind of stuff to Seattle. Bellevue needs to strive to maintain it's low density character. Some of these pictures are from the mixed use density disaster that has developed in Renton. Please don't emulate that. It is very unappealing.”



What Do You Like?
(N=35)

Mixed Use
Housing
Neighborhood Services
Ped/Bike Improvements
Place Making
Transit Improvements
Park Improvements
MTSG Trail
TOD
Do Not Like
Boulevard
Road Improvements
Density

What Don't You Like?
(N=25)

Neighborhood Impacts
Traffic Impacts
Too Much Housing
Too Much Density
Expensive
Limited Road Improvements
Height Limit
Limited Ped/Bike Improvements
Limited Green Space
MTSG Location
Limited Flexibility

Are We Missing Anything?
(N=23)

More Road Improvements
Connectivity Improvements
Taller Buildings
Speed Limit
Too Much Housing
Ped/Bike Improvements
More Bus Service
Limited Appeal To Businesses
Environmental Concerns
Speed Limit
Status Quo
More Density
Neighborhood Services
More Parks
No Comment
Too Much Density
Expensive
Pedestrian Improvements
Traffic



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Alternative 1 - Themes

Light industrial, flex-tech

- Substantially more intense and effective site use
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage and creek restoration)



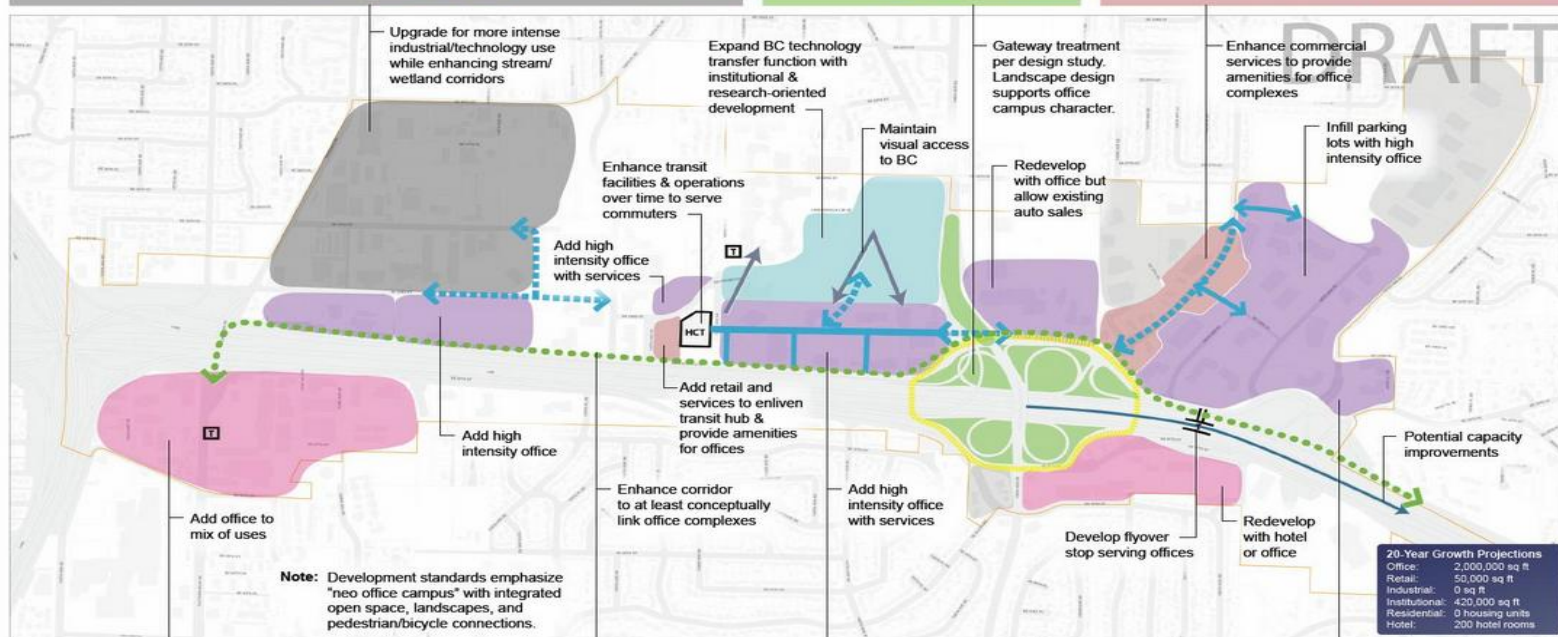
Interchange landscape improvement

- Reinforces campus character
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



Local retail and services

- Retail and services front specified streets
- Pedestrian-oriented
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



Medium intensity mixed use

- Generally retail on ground floor, residential or office above
- 3-5 stories
- >25 dwelling units/acre
- Pedestrian-oriented
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



MTSG improvement

- Safe pedestrian & bicycle routes
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)



High intensity office (neo office campus character)

- 6+ stories
- Pedestrian-oriented
- Green features (e.g., natural drainage)
- Possibly includes retail in ground floors



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ALTERNATIVE
Regional Employment Center 2



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Alternative 2

“This area is much more suited to employment than to residential use. Please keep it that way.”



“Over-emphasis on employment / office space seems doomed to create traffic problems, even with capacity improvements to I-90.”



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Alternative 2 – Don't like?

What Do You Like?
(N=29)

Mixed Use
Office Development
Neighborhood Services
Transit Improvements
Landscaping Improvements
Housing BC Expansion
Ped/Bike Improvements
Do Not Like
High Density
Connectivity Improvements
Office Space
Road Improvements
Pollution Improvements
MTSG Trail
Mixed Use
Employment Opportunities

What Don't You Like?
(N=26)

Traffic Impacts
Too Much Office
Neighborhood Services Needed
Road Improvements Needed
Need More Housing
More Office Needed
Ped-Bike Improvements Needed
Limit Building Height
Too Much Housing
Limit Speeds
More Housing
More Density Needed
Too Much Office Space
More Density Needed
More Traffic Needed
More Pedestrian Improvements Needed
Speed Limits
Do Not Like
More Hotels Needed
Environmental Concerns
Too Industrial
More Neighborhood Services Needed
More Transit Needed
Neighborhood Impacts
Too Much Density

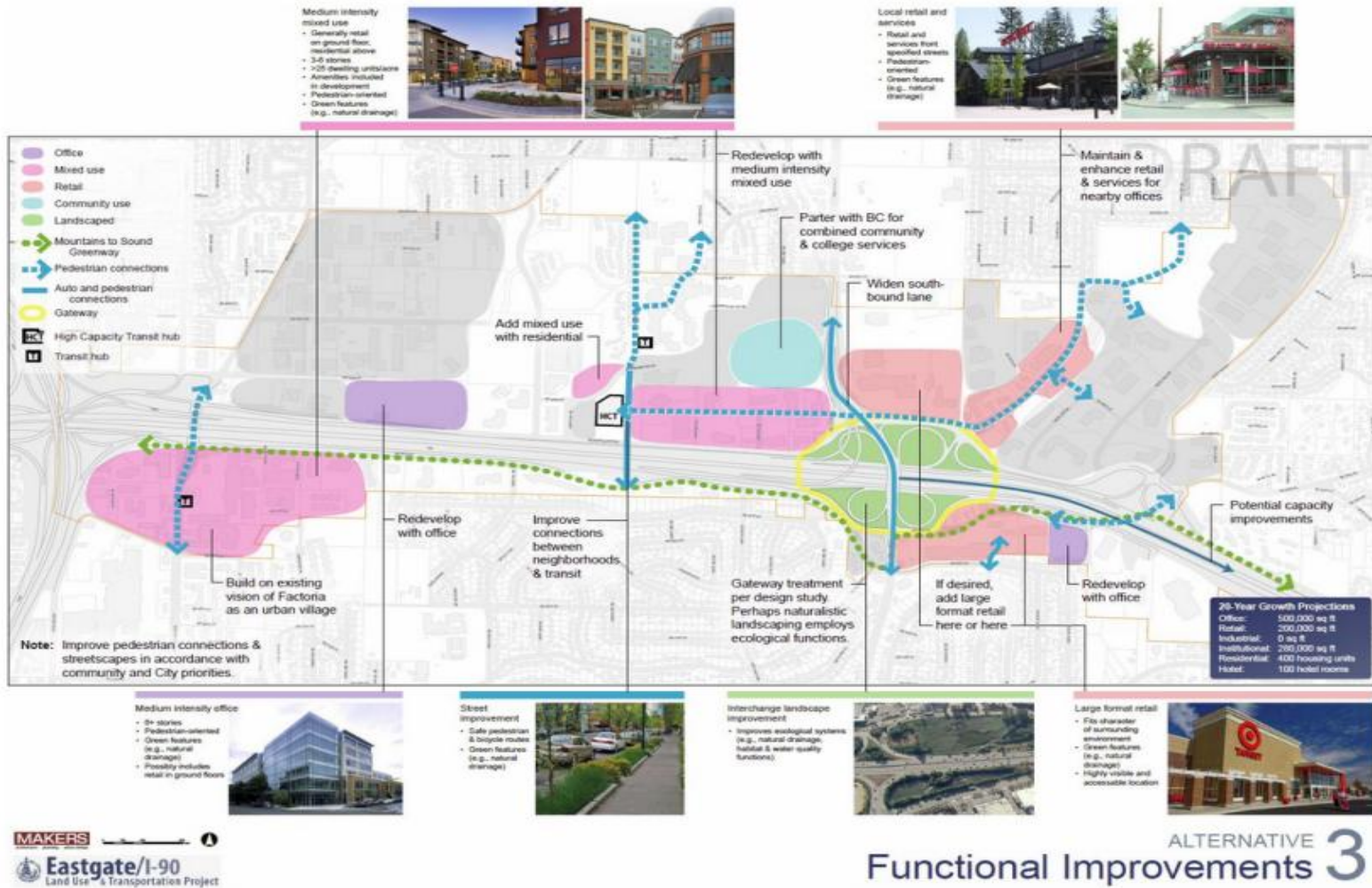
Are We Missing Anything?
(N=24)

More Housing Needed
Place Making Improvements Needed
More Density Needed
Neighborhood Services Needed
Road Improvements
Park Improvements Needed
Too Much Office
More Growth
More Hotels
Too Much Density
BC Expansion
More Neighborhood Services Needed
More Transit Needed
Noise Impacts
Taller Buildings Needed
Future Light Rail
Landscaping Improvements Needed
Traffic Impacts
More Ped/Bike Improvements Needed
More Transit Needed



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Alternative 2 - Themes



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Alternative 3

“Balanced plan, with not too much increase in traffic. Better road capacity improvements. Includes some housing supply. Fits scale of area best.”



“Don't want large retail at present Albertson's site.”



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Alternative 3 – Don't like?

What Do You Like? (N=27)



What Don't You Like? (N=25)



Are We Missing Anything? (N=20)



“There are good (and not so good) components of each alternative. I hope Bellevue will blend the best together. The alternatives contain significant capital improvements. These should be matched up with the City's ability to fund them. The most cost-effective (rather than politically correct) transportation improvements for congestion relief should be the top priority. This will lead to more feasible redevelopment, sooner.”



Do you have any other feedback you would like to provide?
(N=23)



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Additional Feedback

Planning the Eastgate Corridor

Start Date/Time: Tuesday, July 26, 5:30 p.m.

Start Location: Enatai Beach Park

Rider Leader Name: Emil King

Contact Phone: 206-851-4437

Contact Email: emilandnora@comcast.net

Distance: 9 miles

Pace: Steady

Terrain: Some Hills

Map available: Yes

Regroup: Frequent

Weather cancels: Steady rain cancels

Ride Description: This is a great opportunity to help plan for the future of the Eastgate Corridor. Join representatives from the Mountains to Sound Greenway and City of Bellevue for a loop ride from Enatai to the Sunset Trailhead and back. You'll be able to learn more about Mountains to Sound trail options that are being explored, and provide your input to transportation planners on how to make this important corridor more bike-friendly. We'll be back to Enatai Beach Park around 6:45 p.m.



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www.bellevuewa.gov/eastgate-corridor.htm



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